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**REQUEST FOR FILING A CONTINUING PATENT APPLICATION
UNDER 37 CFR § 1.53(b)(1)**

To the Commissioner for Patents:

This is a request for filing a continuation application under 37 CFR § 1.53(b)(1), of pending prior application number 10/102,179, filed on March 19, 2002, entitled SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR ESTABLISHING AND RETRIEVING DATA BASED ON GLOBAL INDICES.
Enclosed are:


- ☒ 3 sheet(s) of drawings, 49 pages of application (including title page), and the following Appendices : N/A.
- ☐ Declaration.
- ☐ Power of Attorney.
- ☐ Verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR §§ 1.9 and 1.27.
- ☐ Assignment transmittal letter and Assignment of the invention to : _____.
- ☒ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence: "This application is a continuation of application number 10/102,179, filed March 19, 2002, which is a continuation of application number 09/111,896, filed July 8, 1998, both of which are hereby incorporated by reference. This application is also a continuation-in-part of PCT Application Serial No. US98/00624, entitled Automated Image Archiving System, filed January 13, 1998; and U.S. Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/035,485, entitled Automated Image Archiving System, filed January 13, 1997."

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Claims as Filed			Small Entity		or	Other Than Small Entity	
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Basic Fee				\$ 370	or		\$ 740
Total Claims	-20		x\$9=	\$	or	x\$18=	\$
Indep. Claims	-3		x\$42=	\$	or	x\$84=	\$
Multiple Dependent Claims Present			+\$140=	\$	or	+\$280=	\$
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- ☐ Please charge my Deposit Account No. 23-1925 in the amount of \$: _____. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
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